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Ten minutes after the Flint & Pere Marquette train had pulled out of the depot land, Maine. resterday noon, a young man with a grabhag in his hand and a cigar in his mouth spare. After walking up and down for about five minutes he stopped at the ticket window and asked :

"Has the Flint train gone yet?" "Yes-s quarter of an hour ago." "The duse! Why, I was to go on that

"Well, you didn't." "And I can't get there?" "Perhaps you could hire a locomotive," "Ab, perhaps I could. I'll finish my smoke and go see about it."

After the end of his eigar had been reluced until the fire warmed his nose, the young man went up stairs and said to the Superintendent: Could you, ah, for about five or six

Plint, alt?" " No. sig." "Ah, you can't? Well, that's badish. was to have been married at six o'clock this evening. I might say seven dollars for a

locomotive." "And you might say seven times that." "Conldn't do it-'pon honor I couldn't, though I'll go down and smoke another eigar, and perhaps make you another offer

He lit another cigar and paced up and down, and all at once began hunting his pockets. He shortly pulled out a notebook, and after running over the leaves he approached the ticket-seller and said: "I find that I am sared."

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tel think so," "And she has no grounds for breach of

"Can't see any." "Nor I. My conscience tells me that I ought to offer about 9 for a locomotive to run me up there, and if it is refused I'll go back to the hotel and take drings easy ti? to-morrow. Are you married?"

"Going to be?"

ar I - I expect so." "Make a mem. of it, and give Providence plenty of latitude for delays. It's not only business, but you've got 'em tight as a wedge. Mem, it right down in black and white, and if they talk sassy show 'em tha door. Bye-bye, old fellow-see you later." - Detroit Free Press.

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